COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

INVESTIGATION OF PROGRAMS TO) ADMINISTRATIVE FURTHER THE GOAL OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE) CASE NO. 312 TELEPHONE SERVICE)

<u>ORDER</u>

By Order dated May 21, 1990, the Commission required local exchange carriers to submit information annually regarding Link-Up service. This information enabled the Commission to assess telephone penetration rates in Kentucky. This penetration rate has increased from 87.5 percent in 1988 to 93.7 percent in 2002. Link-Up service information is also collected by the Federal Communications Commission and is made available to the public.

Accordingly, the Commission, on its own motion, finds that it is no longer necessary for carriers to submit Link-Up Kentucky information.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that carriers may cease reporting information as required by the Commission s May 21, 1990 Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 6th day of May, 2002.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director